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SOUTHEASTERN AG SUMMIT HOSTED AT GOVERNOR'S MANSION

Some two dozen retail, wholesale and food-service produce buyers joined Governor Henry D.

McMaster and Commissioner of Agriculture
Hugh Weathers at the South Carolina Governor's
Mansion for an ag summit to promote cooperation among Southeastern producers and purveyors and to shine a spotlight on South Carolina agriculture.

According to Gov. McMaster, "The political and business leadership understand the importance of agriculture, not only to South Carolina and its farmers, but to consumers. The notion of increasing consumption of home-grown products is a big part of what we want to put forward for the future."



RFD-TV producer Chip Carter, First Lady Peggy McMaster, Governor Henry McMaster, Commissioner of Agriculture Hugh Weathers, and First Lady of Agriculture Blanche Weathers promote food from South Carolina.

The attendees, who represented chains from across the Southeast, gathered to explore opportunities in local agriculture. They also considered ways Southeastern states can work together to drive the consumption of local produce.

Governor McMaster talks to RFD-TV producer Chip Carter.



Photos courtesy of Southeast Produce Weekly

The goals of the summit are to promote Certified

SC Grown products and to collaborate regionally.

"We are looking for ways we can work together, reach across state lines and capitalize on the resources, growers, and products already in the Southeast," said Weathers. "We have a new spirit of cooperation between Southeastern growers and distributors." He noted that 80 percent of the U.S. population lives east of the Rocky Mountains.

The two leaders emphasized current strengths in South Carolina agriculture and pledged a willingness to explore new ideas, noting the success of local farmers with an increasingly diverse crop mix.

Of equal importance was a call for ways to work regionally with other states to increase opportunities for Southeastern growers and producers.

RFD-TV producer Chip Carter moderated the event. He said people have a tendency to look at California as the leader in produce, but the Southeastern states are equivalent in terms of production, variety, diversity, and ingenuity.

"There's nothing they can do there that we can't do here. There is unique opportunity for the Southeast to serve this ever-increasing demand from consumers, and South Carolina is uniquely positioned to play a pivotal role in this new Southeastern ag power bloc," he said.

A local lunch, prepared by staff chefs Jared Hudson and Brian Mather, showed off South Carolina's finest Certified SC Grown products.



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HUGH E. WEATHERS

SOUTH CAROLINA

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AGRICULTURE

AGRICULTURE AND ART: TOGETHER

ne of the most fun things you can do with your family this summer is just around the corner. The annual Ag + Art Tour has gotten bigger and more popular than ever, with dozens of activities that the whole family will enjoy.

The South Carolina Ag + Art Tour is a free tour of farms in 10 counties with local artisans at every stop. The events are spread over every weekend in June. Best of all, the tours are self-guided, so you can plan the activities to suit your own schedule.

The unique thing about this event is that local artisans will be present at every farm to share hand-crafted products or a particular talent. They include painters, potters, musicians, bakers, and value-added producers. Many of them will have products to sell, while others are simply sharing their unique skills.

The first Ag + Art tour was held in York County in 2012, and the event has just taken off. York County now has two weekends devoted to local farm tours, with a variety of artisans who will engage visitors through demonstrations and/or performances. My peach farmer friend Arthur Black from York has told me that the crowds get bigger each year.

An exciting aspect of the event is the wide diversity of the farms on the tour. For example, Union County will showcase dairy goats, a botanical garden that promotes

healing, and a mill that uses horses to grind grits! Kershaw County offers a display of vintage tractors and a farm-to-table B&B.

In Newberry, visit a vineyard, an heirloom vegetable garden, and an alpaca farm. Spartanburg County farms offer fresh eggs, hydroponics, a community garden, and bison. In Lancaster you can see a working bee farm, one that features Native American topics, and a brewery.

Many of the farms offer fresh produce, like berries, farm-grown meat, and organic food. Each of the 10 counties features unique aspects of agriculture that will delight visitors. Richland County, the newest addition, showcases a cut-flower farm and heritage breeds of farm animals. The list of interesting subjects goes on and on, as well as the artists at each place.

The participating counties are Chester, Chesterfield, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lancaster, Newberry, Richland, Spartanburg, Union, and York. Since the tour grows every year, it might not be too long until all our counties are represented.

The tours will take place on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. With every weekend in June devoted to different tours, you have no excuse to miss this fun, educational opportunity. To see the full schedule and lots more information, visit agandarttour.com.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Twin Creeks Lavender U picks

May 16/17/24/25/31, June 1/7/8/14/15 • 9 am - 3 pm Pre-registered tickets on Eventbrite are \$5. Children and seniors free. Walk-ups \$6 if space available. For rules, visit our website.

Twin Creeks Lavender 4638 Midway Road, Williamston 864-940-1684



Oak Hill Trail Ride

twincreekslavender.com

May 17 - 19 • 10 am

\$40 Weekend Pass includes ride, lunch, DJ on Friday and Saturday nights. \$20 Day Ride includes ride and lunch. More info on our Facebook page.

306 Long Road, Saluda

Contact: Lesa Goldman

864-993-3072 • Helong@embarqmail.com

22nd Annual McConnells Antique Tractor & **Engine Show**

May 18 • 9 am – 2 pm

Tractors, engines, crafts, vendors, BBQ, Bluegrass, and more. Free admission.

McConnells Community Center 189 Church Street, McConnells

Contact: Lisa Nance

803-230-3658 • lmn7806@aol.com

Power from the Past

May 18 • 8 am - 4 pm

Annual Power From the Past, Tractor & Engine Show / Swap Meet. Feature is Farmall, IHC Tractors and Engines. Any and all make tractors, engines, garden tractors welcome. Open for setup Friday 5/17.

Abner Creek Baptist Church 2461 Abner Creek Road, Greer

Contact: David Moss

864-680-4004 • davidmoss@mdmes.com fapasc.com

All Breed Horse Show

May 18 • 9 am

Federation sponsored. Registration at 8 am.

Red Bank Arena

1159 Nazareth Road, Lexington

Contact: Gale Brown 803-532-8805

Columbia Produce Safety Rule Grower Training

May 22 • 8:30 am - 5 pm

Produce growers who must meet the requirements of the FSMA Produce Safety Rule are invited to attend a Produce Safety Rule grower training course.

Phillips Market Center, State Farmers Market 117 Ballard Court, West Columbia

Contact: Brooke Horton 803-351-1244 • bhorton@scda.sc.gov bit.lv/scpsrCola

Chosen Few Saddle Club

May 25 • 11 am

Saddle up for St. Jude Children's Hospital. Trail ride and cook out.

Cedar Grove Farm 6850 Pisgah Road, Rembert

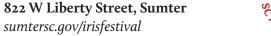
Contact: Dale Cauthen 803-432-6212

Iris Festival

May 25 – 28 • Daily times vary

Concerts, arts & crafts, plants & flowers, antique & classic car shows, a number of contests, and lots of children's activities. The fun begins the evening before the festival, with the annual "Crowning of The King & Queen" followed by the "Taste at the Gardens," featuring great music and great food from some of the area's leading restaurants and caterers.

Swan Lake Iris Garden 822 W Liberty Street, Sumter



Blythewood DOKO Rodeo

May 31 - June 1 • Gates 5:30 pm, Rodeo 7:30 pm Come early for best seats, food & fun. Mechanical bull & pony rides. 8 pro events: Bull riding, Broncs, Barrel racing steer wrestling, Cowgirl breakaway & more. National celebrity funnyman Matt Merritt. Tickets available at the gate. Adults \$16. Youth (6-12) \$8. Buckaroos 5 & under free! Free parking.

Community Park Arena 311 Blythewood Road, Blythewood info@blythewoodrodeo.com

blythewoodrodeo.com



SALES / AUCTIONS

Springfield Stockyard

May 18 • 10:30 am (1st & 3rd Saturdays) Farm equipment, hogs, horses, cows, sheep, goats, and more.

7550 Festival Trail Road, Springfield

Contact: Nathan Croft 803-258-3512

nathan.croft@aol.com

H & S Stockyards

June 8 • 9 am

Misc. farm equipment sale, poultry sale and livestock to follow.

12970 Broxton Bridge Road, Ehrhardt

Contact: Kristi Sease 803-730-7101 kristish@yahoo.com

SCDA State Farmers Markets

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FARMERS MARKET

> 3483 Charleston Highway West Columbia, SC 29172 803-737-4664

> > City

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864-244-4023

1354 Rutherford Road Greenville, SC 29609 STATE FARMERS MARKET

843-665-5154

2513 W. Lucas Street Florence, SC 29501

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Please do not use all capital letters.

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STERILE GRASS CARP

\$12 each; Bluegill, Channel Cats, \$50/100; Bass, \$125/100; Tilapia, \$95/100; minnows, \$35/100 Clay Chappell Richland 803-776-4923

BLUEGILL

40¢; Bass, Hybrid Bass & Tilapia, \$2; Minnows & Sterile Carp, \$10; Catfish, 60¢; Shad, \$30; p/u or del Derek Long Newberry 803-944-3058

SHAD

for pond stocking, \$1-5; Bream, 35¢-\$3; Bass, \$1.50-3; Crappie, \$1-3; Catfish, 50¢-\$2 each Cannon Taylor Newberry 803-276-0853

KOI FISH

Butterfly & short fin, lots of colors, \$1 & up Tommy Sherman Laurens 864-546-2778

STERILE GRASS CARP

12-14", \$14 each Michael Price Lexington 803-356-3403

CATTLE

REG ANG BULLS

20 m/o, 1260 lbs, Momentum line, \$1500; 16 m/o, 910 lbs, \$1200 Wade Parnell Anderson 864-338-5678

3-6 Y/O 12 BLK ANG

& blk baldies, \$1000 each C Thrailkill Chester 803-283-7659

REG AUG BULL

B-2/2017, \$1600 Wayne Cannon Lexington 803-345-2864

3 JERSEY MILK COWS

calves due in fall, \$800 each Gerald Reeves Colleton 843-908-0910

WAGYU BULL

reg, \$5900 James Easterling Darlington 843-307-0805

REG HEREFORDS

open heifers, bred heifers & cows, \$1250 & up Terry McConnell Greenville 864-420-0079

SIMANG COW/CALF

3 y/o cow w/heifer calf, \$1650 James Burns Laurens 864-918-6308

SG BULL

\$1000 firm; SG heifer, \$750, firm, both polled & red Leon Shealy Lexington 803-622-1314

REG ANG BULLS

\$1200; bred heifer & cows, \$1300; cow/calf prs, tame, good feet & EPDs, \$1600 Jeff Hawkins Anderson 864-934-4957

REG HEREFORD

yng cows, some w/BC's, \$1800 & up Gene McCarthy Edgefield 803-278-2274

AI RPLCMNT HEIFERS

open, 17 m/o, \$1200 Jason Nichols Saluda 864-992-2753

BEEF HEIFERS

weaned, wormed, on grass, \$300 & up Casey McCarty Newberry 803-924-5239

REG ANGUS BULLS

ready for service, fertility tested, complete EPD & performance info, 17-19 m/o, \$3500 up Kevin Yon Saluda 803-622-4140

REG BLK ANG BULL

1 y/o, \$2000, Connealy United b'line, halter broke, docile Kinard Holliday Anderson 864-261-6369

RED HEIFER CALF

Dexter short leg, 7 m/o, \$350 James Moore Oconee 864-304-3808

REG BLK ANG BULL

2 yrs & 6 m/o, \$4000 obo Carroll O'Neal Charleston 843-224-9001

AI SIRED BULLS

service ready & yearly Sim & Sim Ang, \$2000 up Jim Rathwell Pickens 864-868-9851

RED ANG X HEFRS

13-15 m/o, open, \$950-1050 J Rushton Saluda 803-275-2778

BLK ANG BULL 20 m/o, FB, \$1750

L Gunter Lexington 803-532-7394

1 Y/O DEXTER HEIFER weaned, blk, horned, \$400

David Young Berkeley 843-830-3412

POL HERFORD

3 Heifers, 13-14 m/o, from reg stock, no papers, \$800 each Scott Hornsby Richland 803-530-8667

PB RED ANG BULL

13 m/o, out of good stock, docile, wormed & vac, \$1000 obo Britton Havird Newberry 803-924-1211

7 REG BLK ANG BULLS

15-16 m/o, w/exc EPDs, \$2000 up; Fall bred cows, \$1250 up Marc Renwick Newberry 803-271-8691

JERSEY HEIFERS

bred AI to top Jersey bulls, \$1000 & up Mike Buck Saluda 864-445-7399

15 M/O PB BULLS

blk Brangus & Ultra blk, calving ease, \$1500 & up Daniel Chassereau Bamberg 803-267-4880

REG ANG BULLS

6-12 m/o, \$950-1500; reg cows w/newborn calves, \$1800 up, sired by Yon Future Force Lynn Shealy Lexington 803-513-5818

16 M/O BULLS

1 reg Ang, 2 Sim-Ang, exc AI b'line, BSE, del avl, \$1500 each, ready for light service Steve Sease Anderson 864-304-6313

REG BLK ANG BULLS

16-18 m/o, low BW, exc ft & muscle, BSE, complete EPDs & perf info, free SC del, \$2500 up Dixon Shealy Newberry 803-629-1174

REG HRFRDS

bulls, \$1000 each; heifers, \$1300 each Reggie Chapman Anderson 864-353-8868

REG BLK ANG BULLS

12-16 m/o, Bakers Hoover Dam, \$2500; AI bred heifers, open heifers, 2 y/o prs, \$1600 up **Bobby Baker** Lancaster 803-285-7732

REG ANG BULLS

ready for service, AI sired by Fortress, Double Vision & Upward, good EPD's, \$1500-2000 Rick Outen Chesterfield 843-337-1355

REG ULTRA BLK BULLS

15 m/o, exc EPDs, calving ease, good b'lines, \$2500 Heath Hoover Sumter

803-499-4572

REG & COM ANG HEIFERS 13-19 m/o, Al'd & exposed to reg Ang bull, \$1250 up; spring prs, \$2250 up Kevin Renwick Abbeville 803-924-0535

16 M/O REG BLK ANG BULLS

exc growth genetics, more, calving ease, vac, Ext & New Mkt b'lines, del avail, \$1800 Hugh Knight Orangeburg 803-539-4674

215 M/O HEIFERS

Brangus/Ang cross, vac, avg 965 lb, ready to breed, \$1200 each or \$1100 each for both Richard Taylor Anderson 864-617-8322

3 PB BFMSTR BULLS

good dispo, 8-25 m/o, \$1000 up; 4 yrlg reg Bfmstr bulls, 9-12 m/o, \$1200 up John Steele Lancaster 803-283-7720

FARM EQUIPMENT

ADS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED BY COMMERCIAL DEALERS.

FORD 1600 TRACTOR

dsl w/ldr, \$2450; 24' Anderson GN deck over trl, \$3950; Taylor Way 6' bush hog, \$950 Frank Brown Charleston 843-860-5845

'04 NH TS100A

cab, ldr w/2 rear remotes, left hand reverser bucket/ spear, 4079 hrs, \$30,000 obo William Pow Greenwood 803-924-2165

CASE 850D DOZER

recent engine rebuild, sandblasted & painted, good tracks & undercarriage, \$30,000 Marshall Boyce Lee

803-459-4184 9986 COTTON PICKER

\$80,000; JD 8430, 6000 hrs, \$92,500 Tina Craig Barnwell 803-300-2994 **JD 49 MT**

switched from 6 to 12 volt, running when parked, purchased to restore, \$2100 obo Reid Bailey Abbeville 864-323-6690

RHINO T84 BUSH HOG

GC, \$2500 Stephen Gedosch Greenville 864-982-4490

2 GRAVITY WAGONS

175 bu, \$1200; 300 bu, \$2200; both fifth-wheel J Wood Barnwell 803-300-1296

FRONTIER SCRAPE BLADE

JD model RB2308, 8' blade controlled by 3 hyd cyl, EC, \$3200 Harold Lewis Union 864-545-2184

'95 JD 7400

4x4 w/cab, 7000 hrs, \$25,000 Gerald Long Lexington 803-312-1890

JD 4960-4WD

auto-steer, 200 hp, \$51,000; 500 bu EZ-Trail grain wagon, EC, shed kept, \$8500 Thomas Fink Lexington 803-622-4678

KRONE ROTARY TEEDER

KW 5.52/4x7 T, kw 7.82/6x7 T, Krone 9' disc mower, shed kept, little use, 40A, \$15,500 obo Jimmy Covan Abbeville 864-861-2228

CULT 1R BELLY MTD

6 tines w/dirt fenders in middle, good for small plants, from JD 40 tractor, \$100 Wayne Perry Pickens 864-859-6388

VERMEER REBEL 5400

rnd baler, twine tie, EC, \$7500 Ben Bolt Anderson 864-934-2103 **SEED CLEANER**

Farm King 360 w/loading auger & extra screens, LNC, \$4900; JD 524 blade, \$1500 Jeffrey Gilmore Chesterfield 843-517-0315

FINISHING MOWER

4', GC, \$550 Frank Dawkins Lexington 803-605-2028

POST HOLE DIGGER

HD AC, 3 ph w/9" auger, GC, \$200 firm Ronnie Keller Cherokee 864-489-8500

FORD 3000 TRACTOR

runs good, w/disc harrow, \$4500 obo Jay Ellisor Lexington 803-413-7063

APACHE CREEP FEEDER

6 ton, GC, \$3000

Chris Douglas York 803-417-0155 DRUM PUNCH PLANTER for direct seeding into plastic mulch, \$8800 obo Sam Hall

803-627-5545 8x14 CARGO TRL

Trevor Padgett

Spartanburg

864-529-8521

York

'15 Forest River, 9800 GVW, 3 recessed E-Tracks per side, rear ramp door, \$3500 Paul Brown Laurens 412-289-1964

4R COTTON PICKER JD 9960, low hrs, GC, \$10,000

Lexington 803-422-4304 **SUNDOWNER 2H TRL** SL, tack compartment, garage kept, \$9000 Robin Barnett

HAY TRL W/NEW TIRES

\$800; drag harrow, 2 gain, 10' W, \$600; both in VGC Vernon Bonner Sumter 803-481-4225

9N FORD TRACTOR

new rear tires, 16 blade Intl disc, good paint & sheet metal, \$2000 Francis Ackerman Pickens 864-878-9471

'64 MF 35

full time PTO, \$3400; 2 r cult, \$150; 7' HD rake, \$450 Harold Spires Lexington 803-413-3789

JD MODEL 50 TRACTOR

being restored, \$1500, new & rebuilt parts Wallace Smith Aiken 803-687-0654

MOLINE AVERY TRACTOR

wide frt whls, needs head gasket, shed kept, \$1200 Vance Clinkscales Anderson 864-225-6084

TERRIGATORS

Big A 2500, wet, good motor & trans, SS tank, needs 2 rear tires, more, \$4000; Big A dry, more, \$2000 Billy Harriett Colleton 843-866-3221

FORD 3910 TRACTOR

47 hp, roof, VGC, 1530 hrs, well maint, dsl, bush hog, boom pole, mower, \$10,200 R Abee Aiken 803-507-1100

MF 235 TRACTOR

recently rebuilt motor, VGC, \$5200 Douglas Clark Edgefield 803-275-7289

JD 8200

8' grain drill & Ford 4610, 1 remote, \$10,500 obo John Miller Edgefield 803-480-6389

'46 GM TRACTOR

completely restored & painted, \$6000 Scotty Proctor Richland 803-586-4572

HAY TUMBLE BUG

\$500; 3 saddle tanks & brackets sets, 200 gals, \$225/ set; 2 Meyers peach sprayer, more, \$500 Joe Derrick Edgefield 803-480-0067

NITRO TRNSPRT TANKER

SS 6500 gal, \$30k Tony Parcell Lexington 803-917-0918

4025 MAHINDRA TRACTOR low hrs, 3 pt hay spear, \$8000

Hazel Padgett Lexington 803-606-5115 **INTL 1440 COMBINE** GC, \$9900

864-445-8350 **IH 1020 HDR AUGER**

15', EC, \$500 Jason Nichols Saluda 864-992-2753

Charles Nichols

Saluda

POST HOLE AUGER

\$400; scrape blade, \$200 Lucy Smarr Spartanburg 864-578-2091

JD COMBINE

9650 st, 2873 eng hrs, 1926 sep hrs, 625 flex header, header wagon, \$85,000 John Davis Greenville 864-430-6877

'72 JD 4000 DSL

everything works, good rear rubber, use or restoration project, \$8500 Henry Carroll Calhoun 732-539-7631

PINE STRAW BALER

JD E0024, \$1250, tows highway, good for stationary baling Walter Ornes Aiken 507-450-8069

KUHN TEDDER 4 drum hyd, GC, \$2000 C Thrailkill

Chester

803-283-7659

JD 650 MFWD w/bush hog, \$5000 obo; '50 Ferguson TO 30 tractor, more, \$2500 obo John Wright Calhoun

803-308-1626 '94 GN LIVESTOCK TRL

2nd owner, 24', \$4200; Bushwacker 9' bush hog, HD, offset, 3 ph, \$2000; both in VGC Kent Williamson Cherokee 864-640-2879

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FORD 601 WORKMASTER **TRACTOR**

gas, VGC, runs good, 1850 hrs, \$3900 firm Eddie Chalker 803-221-6090

PACE AMERICAN TRL

16'x7' Cargo Sport, dual axle, alum rims, elec brakes, shed kept, more, \$4000 Richard Myers Dorchester 843-563-5540

HYD CARTED WHL RAKE

Frontier, GC, areas of peeling paint, little use, \$2700 obo Arlene Ray Aiken 803-649-2247

6' HD SKID STEER

open bottom, low flow 2-cyl, grapple bucket, \$2500 D Dimery Lexington 803-796-2995

ORCHARD SPRAYER

Myers A32-PT4G air blast, 400 gal, \$6950; AG-Rain 3.3"IDx980' hard hose w/150 Nelson gun, \$11,950 Jimmy Owen York 803-417-2814

JD 216 GRAIN HEAD

GC, \$1000 Otto Williamson Williamsburg 843-372-2692

JD4840 CAB H/A

duals, GC, 18,000; JD 3032E 4x4 loader, \$15,000; JD 550D, 70% UC, 4 way 9' blade, \$14,000 Ronald McGraw Lancaster 704-547-1832

LAKOTA 3H GN TRL

12' short wall, full LQ'S, slide out, ac & heat, will incl portable generator, \$24,750 Jerry Harmon Lexington 803-356-8541

HAYBINE #408

field ready, \$1200 obo Arthur McGee Anderson 864-958-1710

'53 GOLDEN JUBILEE

VGC, w/6' sickle bar mower, & 7' parts, 5' bush hog, \$3200 obo Joe Trapp Richland 803-600-1841

'11 BEE TRL

camping area, awning, triple axles, brakes, elec/hyd jack, \$17,500 obro Cecil Hooks Marion 843-430-4906

POULTRY HOUSE KEEPER

Lewis Brothers #1, \$800 Howard McCartha Lexington 803-312-3316

MF 175

box scrape, lay by plow, 3ph, 4 remotes, new frt tires, reliable tractor, runs exc, \$6900 Bobby Baker Lancaster 803-285-7732

JD 435 HAY BALER

\$ 5000 obo, string tie, EC, shed kept Bill Logue Edgefield 803-637-6781

16' FARM TRL

2-3500 lb axles, GC, \$1595 obo Gerald Griffin Lexington 803-206-4241

GSI 108 GRAIN DRYER

w/CALC-U-DRI Moisture/ Matic/Manager, 3 phase power, always under shed, EC, \$6000 John Till Orangeburg 803-707-5646

JD 2 R PLANTER

3 ph, GC w/corn plates, exc for food plots, \$1000 Kenneth Long Lexington 803-603-4007

DITCH WITCH 3700

irrig trencher, frt blade. 4 wd, EC, new chain, sprocket, & rlr, \$5000, more Alvin Foster Dorchester 843-871-5534

CIRCLE M STOCK TRL

slide & hinged rear gate, ctr partition, GN, 4 new tires, 91/2 GVW, frt storage, \$3200 Arthur Edwards York 803-280-5795

FASUPERA

new rear tires, 12 V w/ garden plows, \$2500; NH 648 4x5 baler, new bearings, field ready, \$9000 Ken Hunter Chester 803-374-0448

6x14 UTIL TRL

dual axle, new floor, HD ramps, \$900 James Moore Oconee 864-304-3808

SS SPRAY TANK

300 gal w/mount, controls, & hydraulic pump, \$500 Clint Boyd York 803-487-4209

'07 INT REFER TRUCK

6 spd, \$20,500; 20' hvy equip trl, \$2100; '88 Chev step van P30, \$3500 Franklin Brown Charleston 843-559-2761

WOODS LDR 1016

fits Kubota L4630 & other models, new take-off, \$3500 Berk Palmer Fairfield 803-730-8022

NH 640 BALER

auto wrap, 4x5 bales, used last year, GC, \$3500; Befco 6 whl rake, 3ph, EC, \$1000; \$4000 for both Allen Sutherland Aiken 803-266-5189

70 INTL CUB

restored, w/cults & belly mower, low hrs, \$4600 Ned Wentzky Anderson 864-940-9816

250 GAL FUEL TANK

w/11ov (AC) pump, filter, & meter, tank/gas station style pump, mounted on metal frame, \$600 Trent Porth Lexington 803-413-8065

WOODS CHIPPER

model TCH 4500, \$800 C Apicella Lexington 803-602-5309

FERT & LIME SPREADER

Chandler 6 ton pull type, fully hyd, \$12,500; JD 5103 w/ new JD 510 loader, \$16,500 Otis Hembree Spartanburg 864-316-1222

16' HD EQUIP TRL

Tandem axle, lights, brakes, shed kept, \$2750 Steven Harmon Lexington 803-530-9460

NH 565 SQ BALER

\$6500; NH 472 haybine, \$2000; NH 57 rolarbar rake, \$2500, field ready, spare parts Dan Lawing 803-517-0875

BOTTOM PLOW

\$385; single turn plow, \$159 Dennis Cooper Laurens 864-238-1792

METAL UTIL TRL

metal, dual axles, tilt body, 8'x16' w/4' wood sides, \$1500 Guy Duncan Marion 843-457-5313

JD MODEL 8200 GD

18 single disc openers, small seed/grass attachment w/10+'T cultipacker, \$4000 William McClellan Anderson 864-847-7900

MF 2R CULTIVATOR

\$500; Gleaner model E combine w/13' header & 2r corn header, \$1800; AC 303 sq baler, \$1200 Randell Oswalt Saluda 803-687-1999

FEATHERLIGHT TRL alum, 4 h, SL w/LQ, new tires, rims, brakes, & bearings, gas heat, water/ref/ac, \$18,000 Bill Millwood Cherokee 864-490-2081

RND BALER

Heston mod 5530, \$3500; MF mod 37 side del rake, \$1750; well maint, shed kept, both w/manuals John Stubblefield Laurens 864-915-7637

JD1750 4R PLNTR

\$8500; JD row markers, \$2500; Hyd hitch, \$550; Tara Max 10 shank, \$7500; weights, \$1/lb Gene Roe Aiken

803-645-2234

NH 7230 DISC BINE 4 y/o, 500A cut, field ready, new skids, clutch & blades GC, \$16,500 Benjamin Holmes Saluda

864-344-1478 **FORD 2600 TRACTOR**

3 cyl dsl, exc mechanical cond, runs well, \$5300 James Clarke Lexington 803-351-7526

JD530 LRG RND BALER

\$3500; GEHL2175 mower cond, \$3200; NH254 rake tedder, \$2200; NH 256 hay rake, \$1500 Al Harlan Spartanburg 864-316-9636

NH 1005 HAY WAGON

GC, \$1200 Russell Suber Newberry 803-924-4504

WOODS ROTARY CUTTER

6', \$800; 5' box bade & 6' HD landscape rake, \$400 each; dirt scoop & middle buster, \$50 each **Bob Roberts** Georgetown 843-546-4800

'52 FORD 8N

GC, \$3000; 7' JD scrape blade, 3 ph, \$500; 9 shank chisel plow, \$650 Jimmy Wilson Anderson 864-923-2348

NH 630 BALER

4x4 rnd, 7' haybine, 10' side rake, 10' hay tedder, all shed kept, EC, all for \$13,000 Harold Ramsey York 803-684-4133

VERMEER 605J

rnd baler, \$4500; Vermeer WD20 V rake, \$2000; 2 basket tedder, \$800 Ed Hedbloom Spartanburg 864-680-0815

MASSEY PLOW

3 ph, \$875 Jim Atkinson Pickens 864-481-5230

RHINO TURBO

51' finishing mower, \$500 Tommy Rhodes Hampton 803-942-1150

NH 648 BALER

EC; Krone 243s disc mower, cut <100 acres, both \$7500 each; Gehl rake, \$1300; tedder, \$1700 Alvin Terry Anderson 864-348-6082

BOBCAT SKID STEER LDR

Kubota dsl eng runs good, unsure about hyd, \$5000 David Wannamaker Calhoun 803-682-2117

MX 285 W/AUTOSTEER

3900 disk, \$65,000; KMC ripper bedder, w/bed shapper 12,500; CaseIH notill drill, \$12,000 Danny McAlhaney Bamberg 803-793-7095

MF 50 W/GAS ENG

3 ph, PTO & hi/lo trans, \$2500 Jason Murphy Fairfield 803-402-5877

6x12' UTILITY TRL

18" sides, new 15" tires, alum tool box, load ramp, 8 tie-downs, \$1350 Cornelius Clark Berkeley 843-761-2343

3910 FORD TRACTOR

1700 hrs, reliable tractor, EC, \$8250 obo Charles Allen Spartanburg 864-441-3511

POULTRY HOUSE CLEANER

Lewis Brothers model #4, VGC, \$2000 Russ Jameson Orangeburg 803-664-3613

HESSTON 1120 HAYBINE

shed kept, \$2800

A Smith Newberry 803-924-4202

JD8200 DRILL

\$1800; JD210 dbl offset disc, \$2000; both 12'; Bush hog 10' offset disc, \$1500; Shaver post drvr, \$800 Eddie McLeod Newberry 803-924-6500

CASE-IH 2377 COMBINE

1535 rotor hrs, RWA, well kept, \$60,000 Randy Ulmer Colleton 843-866-7620

NH MODEL 273 BALER

\$2000; Gehl model 1460 baler, \$3000; Ir Cole Planter new \$975, ir cult, EC, \$145; more George Schwab York

803-493-8021

JD 7810 W/DUALS 5000 hrs, \$47,500; Westfield auger, \$5700; 5 ton fert & lime pull spreader, \$9700; all shed kept Jeff Hawkins Anderson 864-934-4957

FORD 3000 TRACTOR

2 wd, 47 hp, dsl, 3750 hrs, tire width-mid, PTO 540, new battery/front tire, \$3950 obo Kenneth Feaster Fairfield 801-334-8651

JD 8300 GRAIN DRILL

GC, \$2300 Billy Williams Orangeburg 803-707-9640

JD 466 BALER

well maint, kept inside, twine only, \$11,000; Ford 6600 tractor, BH 2846 ldr & attachments, \$10,000 Brian Henry Anderson 864-617-6436

JD 6300 W/640 LDR

5600 hrs, 75 hp, \$21,500; Bush hog 146, 28 disc offset harrow w/scrapers, \$4500 Robert Hurley Laurens 864-981-5352

FRESH PRODUCE

PRODUCE MUST BE RAW AND NON-PRO-CESSED. RAW MILK, BUTTER, AND CHEESE PRODUCTS MUST BE PERMITTED BY THE SC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRON-MENTAL CONTROL. AN EGG LICENSE IS NOT

REQUIRED FOR ON-FARM POINTS OF SALE.

FRESH ORGANIC

free range eggs, \$5/dozen Margaret Stoddard Laurens 864-230-5968

JERSEY MILK raw w/all the cream, \$8.50/

gal; raw goat milk, \$8/1/2 gal Sam Stevens Aiken 803-645-5111

PECANS shelled, \$10/lb Wayman Coleman Abbeville

864-379-1138 **FRESH BROWN EGGS**

lrg, \$2/dozen Robert Scarborough Sumter 803-840-1347

GARDEN

ADS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FROM COMMER-CIAL NURSERIES, WHICH ARE DEFINED AS HAVING ANNUAL SALES OF \$5,000.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS

Centennial & Carigold, \$10/25 plants Louise Brown Spartanburg 864-472-8121 12" T CHESTNUT TREES

\$5; southern crab apple

trees, some blooming, 5-6' T. \$10-15 Iohnathan Broach Florence 843-617-6300 **LRG BLUEBERRY PLANTS** 3 v/o, 2 var & blkberries.

\$5 ea; Fig & Pomegranate

F Noles

Barnwell

803-383-4066

trees, \$10; muscadine, \$7.50

POMEGRANATES lemon fig, turkey fig, muscadine grapevines, \$15 up Cornelius Clark Berkelev 843-761-2343

SEED

ALL SEED ADS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A **COPY OF A CURRENT SEED LAB TEST.**

WHT CORN SEED Cocke's Prolefic, Flint for

milling, G-96% -G, D/HSD & G, 36%, see MB dtd 5/3/18, \$30 plus \$7.50 ship Clarence Gibbs Spartanburg 864-594-9525

THE AD. SCANNED COPIES ARE ACCEPTABLE. **3 Y/O APPALOOSA FILLY**

green broke, red roan color, needs experienced rider, \$800 Carolyn Beach Colleton 843-866-2832

2 TWH GELDINGS

both reg, \$1000 each Tommy Rhodes Hampton 803-942-1150

RABBITS

EQUINE

THE SELLER MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF A

CURRENT NEGATIVE COGGINS TEST WITH

REX \$15 each & up; grown bucks,

\$20 each Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589 **NZ & NZ/CA CROSS**

babies, \$12; adults, \$15

Zack Moore Saluda 803-687-2563

MINI REX sev diff colors, \$20 each Billie Jean Brown

Lexington 803-622-5245 **SHOW TYPE** San Juan, Flemish Giant

\$7-12 each Joe Culbertson Greenwood 864-229-5254

NOTICES ARE ACCEPTED FOR AGRICULTURAL WORK ONLY AND NOT FOR HOUSEWORK, NURSING, OR COMPANIONSHIP NEEDS.

WANT SOMEONE

to finish tearing down old farm house, for remaining lumber William Pow Greenwood

DOZER/TRACK HOE

803-924-2165

& drag-line work, pond repair/digging & dredging, lot/land clearing & grading Nathan Oswald Lexington 803-317-3090

PORTABLE SAWMILL SERV

statewide, saw logs up to 30" W & 20' L Lowell Fralix Barnwell 803-707-5625

POLE OR CUSTOM BARNS

grading, concrete work, stone; fencing of all type, landscaping/mowing Glen Malone York 803-230-3827

TRACTOR/EQUIP REPAIR

eng, clutches, hyds, electrical, all makes & models, work guarn Randy Stachewicz Colleton 843-538-7411

LIME SPREADING

specialize in bulk Tenn lime, call for est Drake Kinley Anderson 864-353-9628

FT HELP NEEDED

on family farm, dedicated w/clean driving record, experienced or will train Vikki Brogdon Sumter 803-481-9444

TRACTOR/EQUIP REPAIR

& maint by certified dsl/hvy equip mechanic, will travel from Camden for fee **Austin Shealy** Kershaw 803-223-3994

NEED FARM WORKER

experienced self-starting contract, cattle ranch duties, flexible schedule, 20-40 hours/wk Keith Hawkins York 803-230-1598

PASTURE MGMT SERV

spray weeds, treat fire ants, licensed, spread fert & lime Kenny Mullis Richland 803-331-6612

DOZER/TRACKHOE WORK

build & repair ponds, demo, tree removal, grade & clear land, repair rds, free est James Hughes Greenwood 864-227-8257

LAND CLEARING

backhoe work, stump removal, track skid steer w/Ind bush hog, 4n1 bucket, refs avail **Dusty Parker** Chester 864-426-2787

POND CONSULTATIONS

pond stocking, turtle or fish traps, misc, other traps, aerators, feeders, pond structure Clay Chappell Richland 803-776-4923

TRACTOR SVC REPAIR

tires, eng rebuilds, clutches, cab interior kits, comp restoration & painting David Moss Spartanburg 864-680-4004

LEXCO TACK CLEANING

leather bridles, saddles, harnesses & accessories, your place or mine; more Laurie Knapp Lexington 803-317-7613

CUSTOM SPREAD

TN Valley lime, fert, call for prices Gene Roe Greenville 864-630-1768

PLANT BERMUDA GRASS SPRIGS

state wide, any size track, T44 or Coastal Johnnie Burkett Aiken 803-924-5736

WILL CLEAR LAND LINES

or trails on farm land or other properties, Midlands area, call for estimate David Wannamaker Calhoun 803-682-2117

LIGHT TRACTOR WORK

to incl bush hogging, discing, cut up & removal of downed trees, light landscaping John Tanner Lexington 803-422-4714

TRACTOR/EOUIP REPAIR

all makes & models, dsl, gas & small eng, lawn & garden equip, generators, 9" Ford gear repair Tommy Kiser York 803-684-4363

EXCAVATOR/SKID STEER SVCS

land clearing, grading, demo, dump truck hauling, & more, free est & qual work Dakota Hollman Lexington 803-687-6382

CB & TIFTON 44

custom planted, w/ Bermuda King 4 r planter, 35+yrs exp, sprigs avail, \$1.75/bu Eddie James Darlington 843-307-4121

FARM FENCE CONSTRUCTION

w/hyd post driver, trailer repairs & welding, grading, demolition, brush cutter Ken Wells Laurens 864-449-8556

MOBILE MECHANIC tractor & equip, all makes & models Jack Shelton Richland 803-736-9820

PASTURE

& field spraying, Upstate area Heyward Swift Anderson 864-934-5275

MOBILE MILL

will travel to cut your logs, 25¢/bdft Jason Fogle Orangeburg 803-533-8703

FENCING & GRADING

excavation, demolition, clearing, forestry brush cutting, site prep, 18+ yrs exp, insured lames Lang Laurens 864-444-3038

RIDING LESSONS

English, Western, Paso Fino & Speed, Mon-Sat, call to schedule Beth Gaston Chester 803-374-6255

BUSH HOG MOWING

light tilling, finish mowing Vernon Bonner Sumter 803-481-4225

BERMUDA GRASS PLANTING

or sprigs, will plant Vaughan's #1 or plant your grass, statewide Kevin Farr Union 864-426-1820

FARM LAND

FARM LAND MUST BE OFFERED FOR SALE BY THE OWNER, NOT AN AGENT. TRACTS MUST BE AT LEAST 5 ACRES UNDER CULTIVATION, TIMBER, OR PASTURE. OUT-OF-STATE OWNERS—NOT REAL ESTATE AGENTS—MAY NOW SUBMIT ADS FOR LAND IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

15A GRVL CO

previously under cultiv w/hay crop, on Old Hundred Rd, Ware Place area, \$12,500/A Stephen Gedosch Greenville 864-982-4490

98+A TIMBER

Branchville, replanted, 1159' frtage on Hwy 21, small pond site & stream, electric, sewer, \$259,700 Joan Bozzone Aiken 803-645-9977

12+A FOR LEASE

upper Abbeville Co, on Bell Rd, open for planting, reasonable & poss 1st yr free Vance Clinkscales Anderson 864-225-6084

21A LAKE RUSSELL

wooded, exc hunting & fishing, \$109,000 Shirley Huston Abbeville 803-917-9665

24A HVY TIMBER

2 mis W of Shaw AFB on Beech Creek, stream, deer & turkeys, home site, pond site, \$80,000 Carl Gulledge Sumter 803-530-8885

25+/-A TIMBERLAND

Allendale Co area, 1/2 cut, deer, turkey, cypress pond, home site, \$42k Kimberly Carter Florence 843-206-1680

WANT HAY FIELDS

or pasture to rent, for cattle in Kershaw Co Shawn Powers Kershaw 843-544-3785

WANT SMALL FARM

4+ A, w/home, private/rural, Tri-County Upstate areas, under \$100k, cash buyer Susan Georgion Greenwood 423-440-4196

WANT TO LEASE LAND

in Upstate, for bow/gun hunting, have Ins, will protect & enhance property Cary Cox Greenville 864-918-1691

144A EDGEFIELD CO

growing timber w/5A pond, off Hwy 430, good hunting & fishing, \$2500/A A Byrd Edgefield 803-637-6198

41.37A ABBEVILLE

½ pine trees, ½ open land, 3500' rd frtage, 3 mis to Lake Russell, \$155,000 James Bradberry Abbeville 864-446-2744

106A MATURE FOREST

& hunting land, 10 min S of York, running creeks w/ pond sites, \$3500/A Roger Ware York 803-517-8060

40A CHESTERFIELD

10A open, 15 pines, 15 hdwd, 2240 sf brick house, attach garage, 36x48 shop, \$450,000 Bruce Starnes Chesterfield 843-672-5823

WANT LAND

to buy, suitable for hunting in Allendale, Bamberg, Hampton Co's David Froehlich Bamberg 803-368-0097

52A MANNING

timber cleared, \$1400/A; 55A Bamberg, planted loblolly, \$1950/A James Simons Charleston 843-708-7361

14A & 62A EDGEFIELD

wooded & planted pine; 81.2A Laurens, water, sewer; \$4500/A John Morgan Edgefield 803-279-6744

WANT 50 -150A

to buy for planting, pasture & home stead in Spartanburg, Laurens or Union Co's James Daugherty Spartanburg 864-505-4320

30A CB HAY FIELD for lease, sprayed for weeds

& soil samples pulled, \$35/A Mickey Wannamaker Lexington 803-920-8400 **30A MATURE PINES**

Lancaster Co, parcel #0099-00-121.0000, appraisal for land & timber avail, \$150,000 Steve Goldie Anderson 864-505-6100

20A FARM

15A cleared & 5A wooded, \$78,000 Otto Williamson Williamsburg 843-372-2692

97A TIMBER

& hunting land, on the Salkehatchie, Mozelle, Colleton Co, \$285,000 Joyce Rucker Lexington 803-791-7319

37A AIKEN CO

previously under cultivation, 367 Mt Calvary Church Rd w/house, well & septic, as is, \$200,000 H Yonce Edgefield 803-275-2091

17A W/HARDWOODS

fronts I-26 & Chumley Rd, elec & public water avail, level areas, wildlife, creek, \$150,000 M Wilson Spartanburg 864-595-1136

GOATS / LLAMAS / SHEEP

3 NGN DWARF BILLIES

B-3/22, \$100-150 David Jett Spartanburg 864-680-0697

DWARF BILLY

\$140; bred dwarf nanny, \$150 L Gunter Lexington 803-532-7394 **ADGA NUBIAN**

bucklings, \$150; doelings,

\$300, from grade A goat dairy

Sam Stevens Aiken 803-645-5111

3 BILLIES 7/8 Boar, 2 w/no horns, 10 m/o, \$150 each; females, \$150-200 each Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589

PYGMY GOATS

all ages, M & F, \$75-100, healthy Barry Mauldin Edgefield 803-606-6164

SAVANNA KIKO CROSS

& full Kiko kids, \$200 & up **Bobby Page** Spartanburg 864-494-2501

100% BOER KIDS

B-2/19, 10 does, 9 bucks, UTD vac & worming, w/ USBGA app, \$250-300 Wayne Senn Newberry 803-321-0163

FB NUBIAN DOE

in milk w/2 doe kids, \$400, good home milker Patricia West Florence 843-610-7096

19 ST CROIX LAMB

ewe & ram, can be bred this fall, vac, \$150/ewe; \$175/ram Geoffrey Ward York 315-489-2532

REG MSFG HERD

2 F, 1 M, \$1500 for all, yng & easy to handle Gloria Williams Anderson 864-903-1856

FAINTING GOATS

Ricky Long

803-622-4702

Lexington

7 does, \$300 each; 15 kids, \$200 each Domer Ridings Saluda 864-554-0668 3-4 M/O BILLIES

34 Boar 14 Nubian, \$125 each

KIKO NANNIES

& billies, \$250 & up Gene Bridwell Spartanburg 864-415-4611

100% NZ KIKO BUCK

NKR reg, \$750, 2 y/o, 66% doelings this year, gentle Cal Norris Edgefield 864-378-2693

FAINTING GOATS

does, doe & buck kids, reg MGR, \$250/does, \$150/bucks Lorie Anderson Horry 843-333-6868

LAMBS

110 lb & less, \$125+, grass fed, more; breeders, \$275+ Eddie Martin Anderson 864-296-0454

PLANTS & FLOWERS

ADS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FROM COMMER-CIAL NURSERIES, WHICH ARE DEFINED AS HAVING ANNUAL SALES OF \$5,000.

BANANA TREES

2-3', \$15; 3-4', \$25; 5-6', \$35; 6' & up, \$50 David Macijewski Anderson 864-309-9472

YELLOW JESSAMINE

\$5; Aloe \$5; pine cones, 4/\$1, shipping extra S Pound Lexington 803-466-2052

1 LEYLAND CYPRESS

2 crepe myrtles, \$8 each John Senn Lexington 803-356-5903

MONKEY GRASS

aka liriope, hosta, \$4 each; iris, daylily, \$5 each; hydrangea, gardenia, \$8.50 each Woody Ellenburg Pickens 864-855-2565

3 Y/O LRG AZALEAS

\$2; Tea olives, gardenias, snowballs, \$5; Crepe Myrtles, \$10; Camellias & mulberry tree, \$12 F Noles Barnwell 803-383-4066

ANGEL TRUMPETS

Confederate roses, tea olives, crepe myrtle, old time lantana, gardenias, more, \$15 up Cornelius Clark Berkeley 843-761-2343

JAP MAPLES

Dissectums (Lace Leafs) & Uprights, 100 varieties, 5-20 gal, \$39 up Mike Britton Edgefield 803-278-1468

MARKET BULLETIN

HAY & GRAIN

FESCUE

800 lb rnd bales, \$35 or \$40 to del, located in Honea Path Suzanne Reed Greenville 864-293-0363

'19 OAT HAY

net wrap, shed kept, \$35; Corn, \$40, your 55 gal drum; HQ Bermuda, net wrap, shed kept, \$45 Thomas Fink Lexington 803-622-4678

18 FESCUE

barn kept, 4x5, net wrap, \$37 Jimmy Covan Abbeville 864-861-2228

WHEAT/RYE HAY

no weeds, fert & sprayed, \$35 Jo Martin Anderson 864-940-3199

'18 COASTAL

net wrap rnd, \$20, \$40 each; barn kept, \$50 each Marion Rish Lexington 803-606-3554

'19 FESCUE

rnd, \$35 each, out of field; oat hay, \$41 each Melvin Barr Pickens 864-360-5176

'18 COMBINE RUN OATS

Rodgers variety, G-86%, \$5/ bu, \$10/bag, 3000 bu avail Victor Smith Berkeley 843-688-5353

'18 4x5 RND HQ CB

in shed, \$35; in field, \$30 Josiah Williams Bamberg 843-693-1970

'18 4x5 CB

700 lb, well fert & limed, shed kept, \$45, del avail for fee **Eddie Chavis** Barnwell 803-671-3108

18 4x5 NET WRAP CB

fert & lime to specs, \$40-60 **Bob Cooper** Orangeburg 803-516-1070

HQ RND COASTAL

barn kept, no rain, \$35 Raymond Hallman Lexington 803-730-4765

'18 HQ SQ CB

tight & hvy, \$6 each, in Wagener Frank Wooten Aiken 803-564-5565

COMBINE RUN OATS

\$40/55 gal drum or \$3.50/bu bulk Jason Nichols Saluda 864-992-2753

'18 4x5 OAT HAY

\$35; fescue, \$30; all net wrap & VGQ; grass hay, \$25 Charles Nichols Saluda 864-445-8350

50 BALES

'19 oats hay, 5x5, \$50 each Harroll Stockman Newberry 803-924-7878

'18 RND CB

in shed on pallets, \$50; outside, \$25 Kirk Sharpe Lexington 803-260-3944

HQ COASTAL

sq, \$5; rnd \$40 Theresa Kirchner Aiken 803-646-0999

18 4x6 RND COASTAL

\$45, \$50, & \$60, based on qual Gene Plaskett Calhoun 803-535-5968

'18 SO FESCUE

no rain, in barn, \$5 each Jerry Butler Laurens 864-697-6343

'18 4x5 RND HQ COASTAL

\$50; CQ, \$35; sq, \$6, del avail **Bobby Zimmerman** Lexington 803-317-8681

GQ OATS

combine run, \$4.50/bu bulk Otto Williamson Williamsburg 843-372-2692

'18 COASTAL

4x5 rnd, HQ, \$30 each David Gainey Sumter 803-553-8220

'18 FESCUE

rained on, 4x5 bales, \$10, del avail Michael Wise Newberry 803-271-4215

18 HVY TIGHT SO CB

#1, \$6; #2, \$5; 4x5 rnd, \$40/\$50; all shed stored, net wrap Heath Hoover Sumter 803-499-4572

'18 ALFALFA

from NW, 2nd & 3rd cutting, 3x3x8 bales, 900 lbs, \$180 each, cash only Chris Roux Cherokee 864-906-5471

19 HQ 4x4 RYE GRASS

& fescue, rnd, net wrap, sprayed, fert, limed, \$26-30 each, del avail **Donald Counts** Newberry 803-315-1016

'18 4x5 RND FESCUE

net wrap, HQ, in barn, del avail, \$45 George Bryant Pickens 864-630-4934

4x4 RND FESCUE

in barn, HQ, \$35 **Bobby Page** Spartanburg 864-494-2501

'18 MIXED GRASS

4x5, in barn, \$50 Brian Henry Anderson 864-617-6436

'19 4x5 RND CB

\$45; sq, \$5.50; rye straw, sq, \$3.50, all shed stored Dwight McCartha Lexington 803-359-4630

'18 HQ SQ CB

\$6; rnd, net wrap, \$45; good CQ, \$35; all shed kept Clayton Leaphart Lexington 803-892-2642

19 HQ FESCUE

4x5 rnd, w/o rain, net wrap, shed stored, on pallets, \$45; '18 4x5 Fescue, under shed, \$35 Otis Hembree Spartanburg 864-316-1222

18 RYE GRASS

4x5 rnd, twine wrap, no rain, dry stored, \$35; also '19 for \$38 Steve Kinard Newberry 803-924-0439

OAT

3000 bu, \$4/bu; 55 gal, \$35; clean 50 lb bag, \$9 Tommy Coggins Laurens 864-682-0490

'18 4x5 RND

\$35 for net, disc for 10 or more, del for fee Holly Murray Aiken 803-646-8175

CQ 4x5 NET WRAP CB

clean, \$40 Vernon Bonner Sumter 803-481-4225

SQ MIXED GRASS

\$3 each Gene Robinson 803-684-9423

TIFTON 44 BERMUDA

HQ, sq, \$5 each Thomas Thain Lexington 803-920-7023

FESCUE/ORCHARD

HQ, sq, \$6, @ barn, delivery chrgs depending on distance, comes in 21 bale cubes Henson Joseph 803-448-5287

OATS

48 lb bag, \$6 Danny McAlhaney Bamberg 803-793-7095

'18 HQ CB

sq, \$6, at barn Eddie McLeod Newberry 803-924-6500

40+A FESCUE & CB

ready to be cut, you cut bale & haul, located off 176 near Pacolet, 50¢/bale M Wilson Spartanburg 864-595-1136

'18 SQ CB

\$5.50 each; rye straw, \$3.50 each, limed & fert; '19 rnd bale, \$40 shed kept Lexington 803-312-3316

OATS

\$40, in your 55 gal drum; corn, \$35/drum Mary Anderson Richland 803-446-3326

MISCELLANEOUS

4-10 TON FEEDER BINS

GC, \$1000 each C Thrailkill Chester 803-283-7659

55 GAL DRUMS

food grade, open tops lids & rings, \$20 each; 55 gal metal & plastic, for feed, \$15 & \$20; more Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589

EXTRACTOR

Mann 3/6 frame, hand crank, used 2x, \$300; ex lg suit, \$60 George Bower Lexington 803-767-0568

REAR TINE TILLER

Troy built, used little, \$375; above ground fuel tank, hand crank, antique, \$575 James Atkinson **Pickens** 864-481-5230

GRAIN BINS

10,000-18,000 bu, you un-assemble/move, damaged lower ring sections, \$100 each Billy Harriett Colleton 843-866-3221

REDWORMS

\$30/1000; bed run, \$25/lb; LS swamp worms, \$35/1000; bed run, \$30/lb; call for ship chrgs, more Terry Unger Greenville 864-299-1932

72" RND T POSTS 3" dia, \$3 each, Swansea area

Robert Evans Spartanburg 864-574-6964 **TOTE TANKS**

\$45 each; more Russell Goings Union 864-426-2309

DAYTON CAPACITOR START MOTOR

new, ref R90907NB891, model 6K100N, 230v, 1740 rpm, 10 hp, 1 ph, \$1200 D Lyle Greenville

864-244-5765 7' GRAIN BIN

15 gal upright, 250 bu cap, GC, \$1000 Tommy Rhodes Hampton 803-942-1150

RUBBER STALL MATS

1/2x4'x6', 20-\$25 each; 6' gates x 2, \$40 each; 8' gates x 2, \$50 each; head gate, \$300 Steve Jones Spartanburg 865-583-7027

20 HP WI ENGINE 2 cyl side shaft, w/transmission, runs good, \$100 for all Vance Clinkscales Anderson 864-225-6084

1 REAR TIRE RIM

size 20.8 x 38, little use, EC, \$200 **Larry Spotts** Newberry 803-364-3060

RND CEDAR POSTS

cut to var sizes, 4-12" dia, 6-20', \$5-18/size; Cedar lumber, \$2/bf Douglass Britt McCormick 864-391-3334

CARPENTER BEE TRAPS

to catch & prevent them from destroying bldgs, shipped prepaid, in lots of 5 for \$85; more Bill Timmerman Aiken 803-640-6265

BLK PLASTIC MULCH

54"x 4000', \$40/roll; drip tape, 5/8", 8 mil, 7500', \$60/roll Ben DuBard Lexington 803-307-9694

SEED CLEANER

antique, \$500 obo Tripp Bradley Calhoun 803-606-0998

NH REAR TIRES

w/2 rims, 11.2 x 24, 4 ply, R1, 8 lugs, GC, \$450 obo James Murphy Greenwood 864-980-5987

MOLASSES TANKS \$100 Ken Satterfield Laurens

864-304-3172 **BAMBOO**

3/4" to 3" dia, 20¢/standing ft Rob McFee Beaufort 843-524-1195

OAK FIREWOOD

del, stacked, cut to size, full size p/u, Cola, Irmo, Chapin areas, \$125 Ronald Wright Richland 803-606-1666

GOURDS PURPLE MARTIN lrg, cut & ready to hang, \$2.50 each; gourd poles, winches up/down, \$76.50-\$325 each Stacy Shealy Lexington 803-532-5848

17" ROTOR TILLER

Craftsman w/5 hp engine, \$225 obo Lee Jones Greenville 864-363-7787

BOX HEATER 225,000 btu, used 1 yr, \$350 Howard McCartha

Lexington

803-312-3316

CHAIN LINK LOT 16'x18'x6', \$400; head gate, \$600; lrg blk iron wash pot, \$150 Lucy Smarr Spartanburg 864-578-2091

CROSS TIES

Abbeville 864-379-1138 **CHICKEN LITTER** 22 tons, \$450, w/in 30 mis of Newberry, disc on quantity

8' quality, \$11; prem, \$13

Wayman Coleman

Newberry 803-271-4215

Michael Wise

HOG TRAPS custom built, can build all designs & all sizes, sturdy, all welded angle iron design, \$525 Austin Cathcart Richland

803-603-7346 **REEL MOWER**

Tru Cut Starlite, self-prop, 21", 3 hp B&S, GC, for 60's model, works, \$1000 obo Frank Pennas Union

864-426-6784

NORTRAC LOG CHIPPER up to $5^{1/2}$ " dia logs, 3 ph, PTO driven, in crate, \$1400 L Walker Spartanburg 864-969-3273

TRACTOR TIRE

Safemark 18.4-28, 50% tread, \$75 Randell Oswalt Saluda 803-687-1999

JD L-120 MOWER auto, 20 hp, B&S, 48"

cut, rider, \$350; 15'x30' W greenhouse, extra hoops & more, \$750 John Senn Lexington 803-356-5903

LOGOSOL M7 SAWMILL

w/Husqvarna 385 XP chain saw, used little, GC, \$1800 Kent Jewell Lancaster 803-320-3708

CATTLE HEAD GATE

\$225; mineral block holder, \$100 Dennis Cooper Laurens 864-238-1792 **ALUM P-NUT COOKER**

holds 2 bushels or more, stands on 3 legs, w/ homemade burner, \$550 Franklin Brown Charleston 843-559-2761

PROTECH STEP TOOL BOX

new, alum, cab entry, 15"x30"x31", mod 20-2911-31, \$400 obo Stanley Taylor Chester 803-789-5236

ZERO TURN MOWER Great Dane Chariot LX, 61" cut, new blades, EC, 1 owner, \$5200 obo Gregg Hembree Spartanburg

864-494-2754

PINE LUMBER band sawed, 2x6, 2x8, 2x10, 2x12, up to 16' L, air dried, under shed, \$1/bdft Otis Hembree Spartanburg 864-316-1222

BAND SAWED LUMBER pine, 50¢/bdft; cypress, \$2/bdft

Orangeburg 803-533-8703 **EARLY COLONIAL ANVIL** marked 1.0.9 from England, 121 lbs, \$400 C Gibbs

864-594-9525 **MULE GEARS**

Spartanburg

Jason Fogle

new set, \$200; used set, \$75; pony saddle, \$200; barrel racing saddle, \$250 Gene Bridwell Spartanburg 864-415-4611

USED FIRE HOSE FOR IRRIGATION

\$125; Earthway push plntr, EC, \$80, w/plates George Schwab York 803-493-8021

SAND CLAY FILL DIRT

OR TOP SOIL 5 ton dump trl, \$50 sand clay; \$75 top soil, 20 mis del from home David Wannamaker Calhoun

803-682-2117

STALK CUTTER rolls well, blade adj works, antique, \$150 firm; fert distrb, more, \$100 firm; both mule drawn: more Ronnie Keller Cherokee

864-489-8500 **FARM BELLS**

#4-\$450, #3-\$350, #2-\$250, #I-\$225; hash pots, 20 gal-\$200, 10 gal-\$150; 60 gal w/stand & top, \$700; more Perry Masters Greenville 864-561-4792

MIDDLE BUSTER/ **POTATO PLOW**

mule drawn, \$75; lrg hay rake wheel & 2 man log tongs, 4'L, \$60 each R Long Newberry 803-924-9039

NURSERY WATER TANK

Nursery water tank,18 gal, portable, pressurized, w/ spray wand on cart, fill & pressurize at any faucet, \$150 Tom McArdle Greenville 864-270-4824

POULTRY

ROOSTER

Silver laced Wyandotte, \$10 Heather Ford York

803-548-0572

BARRED ROCK ROOSTERS

H-3/30/18, \$10 each Bill Heard Greenwood 864-223-1606

CORNISH BANTAMS

\$20/pr; turkeys, \$100/pr Thomas Waters Colleton 843-696-6627

CHICKENS

16 Delaware, 5 B Australorp, 5 B Rocks, 9 RIR, 7 SL Wyandotte, \$15 each; \$10 if all taken Tommy Axson Greenville 864-350-1450

GUINEAS

\$30/pr; 3 y/o India blue peacock hens, \$200 ea; light Brahma, 7 m/o, \$50/trio; more Philip Poole Union 864-427-1589

ROUEN DUCKLINGS

\$6; Golden Neck & Mille Fleur Belgian d'Uccle roosters, \$15 each; rare Ayam Cemani rooster, \$25 Trey Earley Spartanburg 864-431-5147

PIGEONS roller & homer, \$10 each; king \$25/pr William Claxton Colleton 843-909-4285

PHEASANTS

Lady Amhearst, 1 pr, \$100; Trio Red Golden, \$100 Iames Malphrus Dorchester 843-821-8172

BLUE COPPER MARANS

\$40/pr; chickens, all types, laying F, \$10 each; M, \$8 ea; blk shoulder & pied, \$250/pr Robert Scarborough Sumter 803-840-1347

SHOW TYPE BANTAMS

Wht Jap, G Sebright, BB red, S Duckwing, \$25/trio; 4 game hens/roosters, \$29; more Joe Culbertson Greenwood 864-229-5254

CHICKS

Pheasants/Chukars, \$1 & up Thomas Fallon Greenville 864-616-0218

CHICKS

RIR's & Americana's, \$1.50 each; guineas, \$3 each Barbara Long Lexington 803-604-7377

RACING PIGEONS

breeders & '18 yng birds, nvr been out, \$8 each John Mangum Kershaw 843-334-6347

WANT - FARM EQUIPMENT

NOSE & GRILL

for 3910 Ford tractor, must be in GC, will accept faded paint, prefer blue color M Wilson Spartanburg 864-595-1136

JD 2155

w/bad engine Tony Parcell Lexington 803-917-0918

Jim Roach

803-542-8275

Richland

FIELD CULTIVATOR

10' or 12' w/rolling baskets A Smith Newberry 803-924-4202

18-22' **EQUIP TRL**

3 ph, Cat 1 quick hitch, cheap back hoe for lite land clearing Barney Williams Lexington 803-543-8715

JD PLANTER PLATES

old, different sizes Tommy Anderson Laurens 864-923-0023

JD 4005

4x4 frt end ldr Linood Baker 803-684-2181

SHANKS

for Graham Home chisel plow, w/ springs C Gibbs Spartanburg 864-594-9525

PINE SAWTIMBER

pine pulpwood & hdwd, we cut sm or lrg tracts, 8A+ H Yonce Edgefield 803-275-2091

OLD WEATHER VANE

old lighting rod w/balls, anvils, syrup kettles, any size wash pots, lrg sawmill blade, more Perry Masters Greenville 864-561-4792

PULPWOOD SAW TIMBER

hdwd pine, all types of thinning or clear cut, pay top prices, Upstate Counties Tim Morgan Greenville 864-420-0251

BLK SMITH ANVIL

any size: cast iron bell, any size; hand cranked corn sheller L Gunter Lexington 803-532-7394

2 -38" RIMS

WANT - MISCELLANEOUS

for H Farmall Clint Boyd York 803-487-4209

ROOF METAL

Midlands area David Wannamaker Calhoun 803-682-2117

USED WIND MILL

in GC Kenny Cain Pickens 864-506-6108

BLK SMITH ANVILS

any size wash pots & syrup kettles, any size brass, bronze farm bells, cradles for #24 bell R Long Newberry 803-924-9039

PINE STRAW FIELDS

clean long needled, to rake, we pay top prices, 12 yrs exp David Shull Lexington 803-318-4263

WANT - LIVESTOCK

EACH AD MUST LIST SPECIFIC ANIMALS.

POULTRY DARK CORNISH BANTAMS

lrg type pigeons, runts, any type kings, giant homers Harvey Ammons Chester Lynn Claxton 803-899-0286 Colleton 843-909-4285 **RABBITS** breeding size, NZ, or CA white

BEEF COWS OR CALVES

& dairy heifers Kenneth Satterfield Laurens 864-304-3172

WEANED GOAT KIDS

lrg breed, hornless **Thomas Waters** Colleton 843-696-6627

PRODUCE SAFETY ALLIANCE COURSES OFFERED

SERIES RUNS FROM MAY 16 - JULY 10, WITH LOCATIONS AROUND THE STATE

To help growers prepare for Produce Safety inspections, the South Carolina Department of Agriculture, along with Clemson Extension Service, is offering Produce Safety Alliance training courses around the state.

Since the PSA Grower Training Course is a requirement of the Produce Safety Rule, the SCDA has been looking for ways to lower the cost for our farmers. We were able to come to a solution and are now able to offer the course at a lower price point. The initial price just covered the materials at cost, but now we are able to relief some of that expense for our growers.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Fruit and vegetable growers and others interested in learning about produce safety, the Food Safety Modernization Act Produce Safety Rule, Good Agricultural Practices, and co-management of natural resources and food safety. The PSA Grower Training Course is one way to satisfy the FSMA Produce Safety Rule requirement outlined in § 112.22(c) that requires "At least one supervisor or responsible party for your farm must have successfully completed food safety training at least equivalent to that received under standardized curriculum recognized as adequate by the Food and Drug Administration."

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE PSA **GROWER TRAINING COURSE**

The trainers will spend approximately seven hours of instruction time covering content contained in these seven modules:

- Introduction to Produce Safety
- Worker Health, Hygiene, and Training
- Soil Amendments



- Wildlife, Domesticated Animals, and Land Use
- Agricultural Water (Part I: Production Water; Part II: Postharvest Water)
- Postharvest Handling and Sanitation
- How to Develop a Farm Food Safety Plan

In addition to learning about produce safety best practices, key parts of the FSMA Produce Safety Rule requirements are outlined within each module. There will be time for questions and discussion, so participants should come prepared to share their experiences and produce safety questions.

BENEFITS OF ATTENDING THE COURSE

The course will provide a foundation of Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) and co-management information, Produce Safety Rule requirements, and details on how to develop a farm food safety plan. Individuals who participate in this course will gain a basic understanding of:

- Microorganisms relevant to produce safety and where they may be found on the farm
- How to identify microbial risks, practices that reduce risks, and how to begin implementing produce safety practices on the farm
- Parts of a farm food safety plan and how to begin writing one

• Requirements in the FSMA Produce Safety Rule and how to meet them.

After attending the entire course, participants will be eligible to receive a certificate from the Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) that verifies they have completed the training course. To receive an AFDO certificate, a participant must be present for the entire training and submit the appropriate paperwork to their trainer at the end of the course.

Snacks and lunch will be provided.

LOCATIONS FOR TRAINING

Florence Training

Thursday, May 16 • 8:30 am – 5 pm Pee Dee Food Hub 3215 Bluff Road, Marion

Columbia Training

Wednesday, May 22 • 8:30 am - 5 pm Phillips Market Center 117 Ballard Court, West Columbia

Oconee Training

Wednesday, June 19 • 8:30 am - 5 pm Oconee County Cooperative Extension 301C West South Broad Street, Walhalla

Orangeburg Training

Wednesday, July 10 • 8:30 am - 5 pm Orangeburg County Extension Office 1550 Henley Street, Suite 200, Orangeburg

Registration fee is \$20. Contact Brooke Horton, SCDA Produce Safety Outreach Coordinator at (803) 351-1244 or bhorton@ scda.sc.gov or Chad Carter, Clemson Extension Produce Safety Grower Training Coordinator at (843) 730-5211 or ctcarte@ clemson.edu, or visit producesafetyalliance.cornell.edu

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MARKET BULLETIN

SNAKES ARE OUR FRIENDS



Spring is the time of year we all look forward to. The cold winter is behind us and we can spend more time outside in the bright, warm sunshine. But we aren't the only ones enjoying the change in the weather.

During this time of the year, many wildlife species begin to emerge from their overwintering habitats, and snakes are no exception.

To some of us, this is exciting, and we can start observing these fascinating and cryptic creatures. For others, it is terrifying.

So, what should you do if you see a snake? Leave it alone!

Like most wild animals, snakes have a natural fear of humans. The saying, "They are more afraid of you than you are of them," is 100 percent true for snakes. They will do their best to avoid interactions with humans.

To a snake, humans are predators. Like any wild animal, if a snake feels threatened, it will defend itself. This shouldn't be confused with showing aggression. If the snake is left alone, it will eventually leave.

Many of our common harmless snakes are confused with and misidentified as venomous ones. In fact, South Carolina has 38 species of snake, only six of which are venomous. It is much more common for people to see a harmless nonvenomous species than one that is potentially dangerous.

Snakes like Eastern Garter Snakes, Ringneck Snakes, Brown Snakes, red-bellied snakes, Rat Snakes, and Corn Snakes can be quite common around homes, and species like the Eastern Kingsnake and Black Racer will actually kill and eat other snakes, including venomous species!

So, the next time you see a snake, give it some space and appreciate it as one of the many incredible wildlife species we have in South Carolina and for the important role it plays in our ecosystems.

NATIONAL CORN YIELD CONTEST LAUNCHES

May 6th was opening day, not for baseball, but for the National Corn Growers Association's National Corn Yield Contest. Baseball and growing record corn yields may have little in common on the surface, but both feature intense competition, months of preparation and good old-fashioned hard work.

Farmers have until July 31 to enter. This year marks the 55th year for the contest that began with 20 entries from four states. Last year 7,258 entries from 46 states made this the premier event of its kind in the nation.

"National Corn Growers Association wants to challenge you to take advantage of this opportunity to explore new ideas and production techniques while gleaning knowledge to enhance your future yield potential," said Linda Lambur, yield contest manager.

"It's not just about big yields but promoting innovative production methods and sharpening management skills. It's about being more precise in how we grow each bushel of corn and that ultimately will make corn production more sustainable."

A farmer must have a corn grower's membership number to have an entry in the contest, which can only be obtained from NCGA. Call 636-733-5512 or email ncyc@ncga.com for a membership number or to create a new membership number.

Entry and harvest rules on the Corn Yield Contest website.



ORGANIC CERTIFICATION COST SHARE PROGRAM

The Organic Certification Cost Share Program provides cost share assistance to producers and handlers of agricultural products who are obtaining or renewing their certification under the National Organic Program. Certified operations may receive up to 75 percent of their certification costs paid during the program year, not to exceed \$750 per certification scope.

For more information on organic certification and regulations, visit the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service's organic website. Producers and handlers may submit applications to FSA county offices or they may apply through participating state agencies.

To apply through FSA, go to a county office near you. The application form is available at USDA's eForms site, by selecting "Browse forms" and entering "OCCSP" in the "title or keywords" field on the search page.

State agencies may have a different application process than FSA; applicants should refer to their state agency's requirements and ensure they are using the correct application form before submitting their applications.

PASTURE OWNERS LEARN TO MANAGE THE MUD

SOME TRIED AND TRUE WAYS OF MANAGING RAIN'S EFFECTS ON THE PASTURE

In the spring, livestock owners' fancy turns to thoughts of pasture management. With all the rain in Upstate South Carolina this spring, though, it's more like mud management.

"Mud management is a problem," said Cassie LeMaster, a Clemson University Extension Service livestock agent. "The kind of trouble we're seeing in our pastures this spring reminds us of the importance of putting solutions in place beforehand."

Nearly 100 horse and cattle owners came to an evening workshop in Spartanburg for a recent workshop where Cassie and her husband and fellow Extension agent, Chris, shared some of those solutions. Mud was on everybody's mind.

"If your critters are walking belly deep in mud, they are not gaining weight, no matter how good the feed," said Steve Higgins, director of environmental compliance at the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture and a guest speaker at the workshop.

Feed alone accounts for about half the cost of producing livestock, so anything that interferes with growing grass can present a serious financial problem to animal owners.

In the long run, the experts agree that building a containment system for feeding cattle and horses is

the best option. Assuming a cow eats three round bales a season — roughly two percent of her body weight daily — building a sheltered containment system for hay saves roughly \$100 per animal.

The LeMasters and Higgins displayed a several types of feed containment systems ranging from the inexpensive to the elaborate.

But of all the options to repair and protect a pasture, "the most expensive option is to do nothing," Higgins said. "Your animals are going to lose weight if you don't address the problem. Whether you build a pad in feeding areas or not, you're still paying for it."

Compression from truck and tractor tires and ruts from cattle or horse traffic can leave permanent damage to pasture. Heavy rainfall can make that damage worse.

"If you're raising livestock on pastures, your most important product is grass," Higgins said. "The quality and quantity of grasses dictate how many critters you can sustain on your farm. And if grass is your most important product, soil is your most important resource."

Cassie LeMaster urged, "Take special care this year to assess your soil fertility."

Among the simplest and least expensive options is to re-examine the efficiency of your farm's design. Higgins calls it "material handling," or just "moving stuff."

"If you're hauling hay or feed, how many times do you move it before it gets to the cow?" he asks livestock owners. "Two tons of hay becomes six tons if you have to move it three times."

Extension specialists recommend taking a fresh look at where you, your animals and your equipment go on the farm. "A poor layout is a source of constant loss," Higgins said. "A good layout costs little or no more to produce than a poor one."

Planning more efficiency into the farm will save money over time. And simple solutions, such as penning up livestock after a soaking rain to allow the soil to percolate, can pay big dividends.

"It doesn't have to be costly or complicated," said Chris LeMaster. "Essentially walking and observing what touches your boot is a basic technique for pasture inventory and damage assessment."

A Pasture Field Day will be held May 31 in Tryon, NC as part of the Foothills Forage Management series. Contact LeMaster at 864-984-2514 ext. 117 or cwycoff@clemson.edu or visit clemson.edu/extension/livestock/.